Fort Totten Hospital
Fort Totten State Historic Site
12 miles southwest of Devils Lake City
off Route 57
Devils Lake Vicinity
Benson County
North Dakota

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only on the side wings. The attached rear building has a simple wooden cornice, and the main two-story structure has a more elaborate wooden cornice with small wooden brackets at the corners.

FLOOR PLANS:

The Hospital contains a two story administration building, 36' x 37', two one story wards, 47' x 26', arranged as wings, an attached one story rear building 36' x 20', and a cellar or basement under the entire structure. The main entrance leads into an entrance hall with rooms on each side and continues past a hallway, connecting the two side wings, to the administration-information center as the building is now being used as a museum. The original stair has been removed from the hallway, and the new one is located in the extreme southwest corner of the structure. The east and west wings 47' x 26' are one story consisting of one large room but originally were divided into a ward 33' x 24', a bathroom 11' x 9', and a water closet of the same size with a passage 6' x 11' leading to an exterior door. The rear building, originally 21'-6" x 14'-0 contained a kitchen and pantry, now has been enlarged to a single dining room 20' x 36' with two smaller additions, a kitchen to the east and a stairway to the cellar on the west. The second floor is divided into five rooms, three on the north side of the stairway corridor and two rooms with a hall separating them on the south side.